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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRN, SY

SUBJ: CIVAIR - PAN AMERICAN OVERFLIGHTS/LANDINGS

1. WITH REOPENING SYRIAN AIRSPACE FOLLOWING OCTOBER WAR, PAN AM RESUMED OVERFLIGHTS NOVEMBER 11. AS IN PAST, SARG INSISTS THAT PAN AM PROVIDE SERVICE TO DAMASCUS IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH OVERFLIGHTS. PAN AM WILLING DO SO, BUT STATES THAT DAMASCUS AIRPORT EMPLOYEES REFUSE PROVIDE GROUND-HANDLING SERVICES FOR U.S. FLAG AIRCRAFT. PAN AM SAYS SINCE NOVEMBER 11 SARG HAS SEVERAL TIMES THREATENED PROHIBIT PAN AM OVERFLIGHTS IF IT DID NOT LAND, ALTHOUGH ONLY ONE SUCH LANDING (DEC. 28) HAS ACTUALLY BEEN MADE.

2. PAN AM WILLING TO SERVE DAMASCUS IF REQUIRED, BUT IT POINTS OUT THAT THERE IS AT BEST NO PRACTICAL SENSE IN SUCH SERVICE IF IT IS UNABLE TO ENPLANE OR DEPLANE ANY TRAFFIC AS RESULT OF EMPLOYEE REFUSAL PROVIDE GROUND-HANDLING SERVICE.

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3. WOULD APPRECIATE USINT RAISING THIS MATTER WITH SARG

AT APPROPRIATE TIME AND SEEKING ITS AGREEMENT TO ALLOW PAN
AM CONTINUE OVERFLIGHTS WITHOUT LANDINGS AT DAMASCUS UNTIL
SUCH TIME GROUND-HANDLING SERVICES PROVIDED, OR TO ASSURE
REGULAR GROUND-HANDLING SERVICES TO PAN AM. RUSH

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